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For: ELECTROMAGNETIC RELAY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 24, 2003

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 8, 2003, in which the Office Action identified two (2) independent and distinct inventions. The Office Action further required the Applicants, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, to elect a single invention for prosecution.

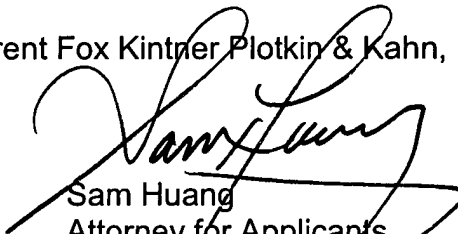
Pursuant to the Office Action's requirement, the Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I directed to the subject matter recited in claims 1-6 and 9 for further prosecution. It is understood that claims 8 shall be withdrawn from prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected subject matter.

Accordingly, a timely examination and favorable action on claims 1-6 and 9 is respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, with reference to Attorney Client-Matter number 100021-00068.

Respectfully submitted,

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